WELLESLEY RECREATION COMMISSION MINUTES

October 19, 2015

5:00 pm at the Warren Building

In Attendance:

Matthew McKay, Steve Burtt, Andy Wrobel, Tripp Sheehan, Mark Wolfson, Brandon Fitts and Matt Chin.

Guests:

Ria Stolle (Advisory)

Minutes from October 5, 2015:

Motion:

To approve, Andy Wrobel

Seconded:

Mark Wolfson

Vote:

All in favor

Summer Day Camp Fees:

A discussion around the summer camp budget occurred. After careful consideration and review of the Wellesley camp budget/structure compared to other town Recreation Department camps in the area, the Commission voted on new resident and non-resident camp fees for the three summer camps.

Motion:

Was made by Andy Wrobel to raise the cost of Camps Joey, Quest, and Odyssey by \$20.

Seconded:

Mark Wolfson

Vote:

All in favor

Motion:

Was made by Andy Wrobel to raise the non-resident surcharge to \$25.

Seconded:

Mark Wolfson

Vote:

All in favor

In consideration of Project Extreme, the Commission took a detailed look into the structure and fees. The Commission agreed to change the structure of the camp program from two, three week sessions to three, two week sessions. They agreed on a philosophical paradigm shift from a model that would create an ample surplus to one that fosters employee growth and development. The Commission placed high priority on helping youth develop exceptional leadership skills and placed that as precedence over an ample surplus. The goal is to foster youth through this program to give back to the Recreation Department in other ways throughout the year. In addition, the Commission recognized the need for a true recreational opportunity for youth ages 14 and 15 years old and discussed the possibility for an adventure camp to be added to our summer camp offerings.

Motion:

Was made by Mark Wolfson to raise the cost of Project extreme from \$300 for three

weeks to \$350 for two weeks.

Seconded:

Andy Wrobel

Vote:

All in Favor

Citizen Speak:

None

New Director Salary:

Commissioners went into executive session.

Motion:

Andy Wrobel moved to adjourn the session

Seconded:

Trip Sheehan

Vote:

All in favor

Next Meeting:

Thursday November 12, 2015

Motion:

Andy Wrobel moved to adjourn the Commission meeting

Seconded:

Tripp Sheehan

Vote:

All in favor

Respectfully,

/Jan Kaseta

BF/jk/mw